



Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force Strategic Work Plan 2008-2011

**Policy Agenda
August 22, 2008
Item 4**

Background

- Previous Strategic Work Plan “Reclaiming our Youth” expired in 2007
- Experienced a spike in gang related incidents
- MGPTF took immediate Action resulting in spike down-trending



The Challenge

- Assess the Current Gang Climate and Emerging Trends
- Update the MGPTF Strategic Plan
- Reposition Ourselves to Reduce Gang Violence and Ensure Community Safety

Coordinated Response and Action!

- Community Engagement Process
 - Five Town Hall Meetings
 - 43 Focus Groups
- Geo-Mapped the City and Completed “Hot Spot” Analysis
- Convened a Strategic Plan Working Group

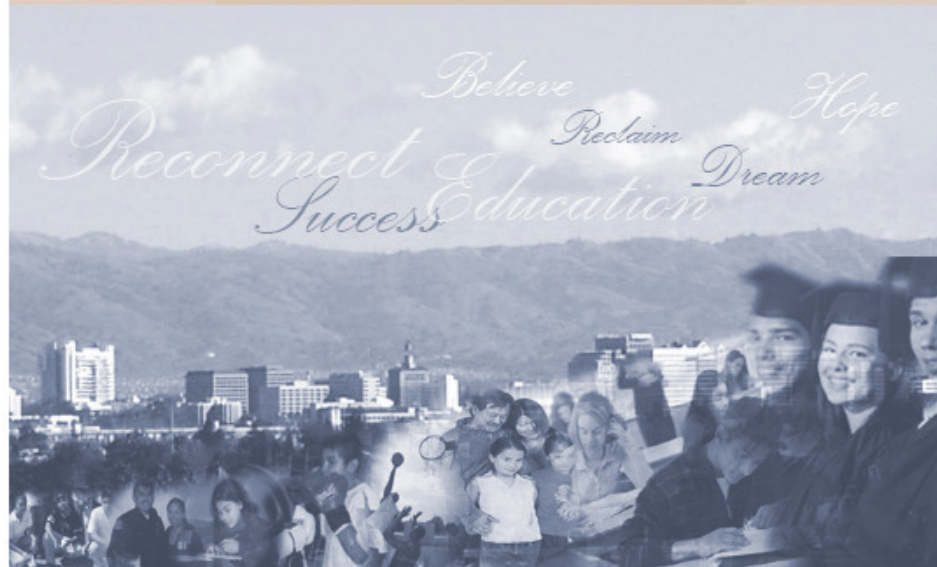


Action Collaboration Transformation (ACT)

A plan to break the cycle of youth violence and foster hope



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Guiding Principles

We value our youth.

We cannot arrest our way out of this problem.

We will address this community challenge with a community response.

We will hold our youth accountable for their actions and assist them to get back on the right path.

We will not give up on any youth and are committed to facilitate personal transformation.

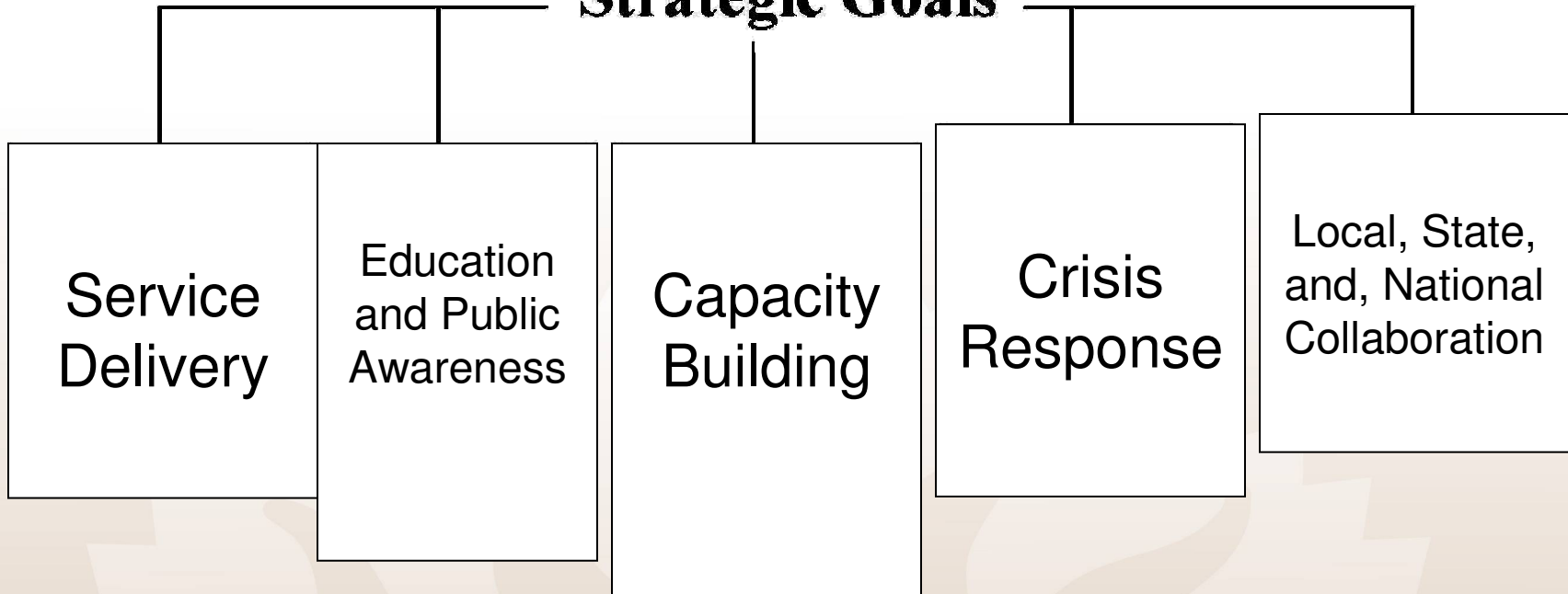
Vision

Safe and healthy youth connected to their families, schools, communities, and their futures.

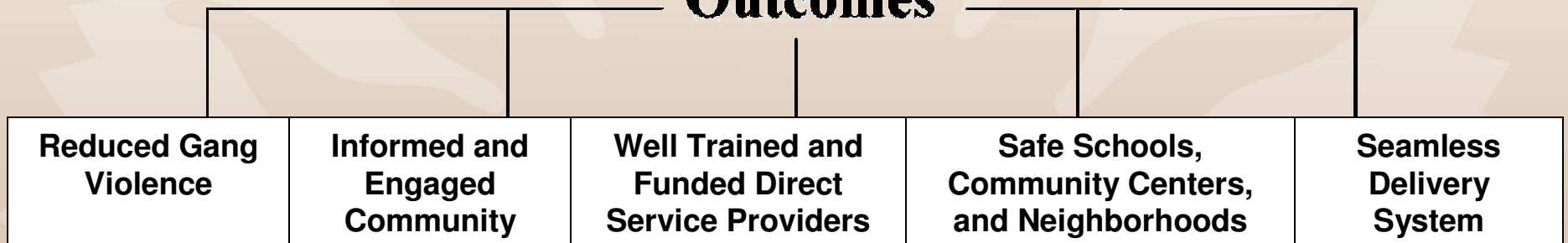
Mission

We exist to ensure safe and healthy opportunities for San José's youth, free of gangs and crime, to realize their hopes and dreams, and become successful and productive in their homes, schools, and neighborhoods.

Strategic Goals



Outcomes



Expected Outcomes & Significant Enhancements

- Lowered Target Population (ages 6-24)
- Strengthened City-County Partnerships
- Increased Focus on Faith Based and Private Sector Partnerships
- Greater Emphasis on Facilitating Personal Transformation
- Increased Effort to Hold Youth Accountable
- Reduction in Gang Violence



Next Steps

- 9/23 San José City Council
- 9/24 Implementation